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In re patent application of

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Examiner: SCHECHTER, Andrew M

**For: THIN FILM TRANSISTOR ARRAY SUBSTRATE HAVING BLACK MATRIX  
AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASON FOR ALLOWANCE**

Sir:

While Applicants do not disagree with the Examiner's determination that the inventions recited in the claims are patentable over the references of record, Applicants object to the reasons for allowance (RFA) as being inaccurate and confusing. For example, the RFA is vague and confusing in its attempt to provide, in two sentences, a statement allegedly applicable to three different sets of independent claims, i.e., claims 4, 14 and 18, which contain different language and define separate inventions.

Indeed, each of the claims in this application defines a separate invention, which recites different combinations of features, and the basis for the patentability of each claim is based upon the totality of features recited in the claim. The mixing and matching of different claim limitations, especially for claims 4 and 18, from different claims renders the RFA vague and

indefinite, and possibly subject to interpretations not anticipated by the Examiner or the Applicants.

Moreover, while Applicants believe that the claims are allowable, Applicants do not acquiesce that the patentability resides in each feature exactly as expressed in the claims, nor that each feature is required for patentability of each claim.

Respectfully submitted,



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